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To: All Hands

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- 1. Our mission at the Marine Aviation Detachment (MAD) is preeminence in being the Marine Corps aviation acquisition center of excellence, in which all aspects of acquisition leadership and management will be maintained. As the Commanding Officer of the MAD, I take very seriously my responsibility in taking care of Marines and their families through detailed administrative oversight, professional career development, and exceptional family support. To achieve success in this mission, I expect all leaders to execute command safety and operational risk management programs in order to safeguard the resource that paves the way to success; the Marines, civilians, and families who make up and contribute to the mission of the MAD.
- 2. The MAD is one of the unique commands in the Marine Corps that focuses on providing extensive support to the Fleet Marine Forces (FMF). Most of you work on a daily basis away from the MAD attached to a plethora of different commands. We support programs that will impact Naval aviation for decades to come, and with that comes risks that effect our personnel and property on a daily basis. We need to preserve your ability to continue serving our Corps effectively and as safely as possible. To do this, we must act responsibly, utilize attention to detail, be smart, and manage our affairs efficiently both on and off duty. If we approach everything with thought and care, it will go a long way in minimizing risks and keeping us safe.
- 3. We encounter risks every day. Whether it is flying high-risk test flights, working on the flight line, or simply commuting to and from work, risks exist. Stay on the alert for yourself, your families, your Marines and Sailors, and your civilian co-workers. Take the extra time and effort, to prevent an injury or loss of life. Ensure you maintain proper protective equipment (PPE) and take the proper precautions when conducting high risk tasks. Remember that what you do is important to the Marine Corps and who you are is important to your family and friends. We need you here to accomplish the mission at hand.
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